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☒ Attached hereto is a FORM PTO 1449 listing the references.

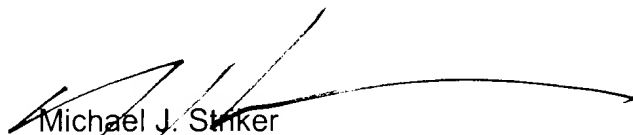
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